# 2015 Top Ten Names for Dogs and Cats in Maple Valley, Black Diamond, and Covington

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Three communities, lots of dogs and cats!

What do you think the top ten most popular names for dogs and cats in 2015 were in your community? Did your pet make the cut? Regional Animal Services of King County (RASKC) partnered with the office of Councilmember Reagan Dunn, who represents the Cities of Maple Valley, Black Diamond, and Covington on the Metropolitan King County Council, to bring you the top ten names of licensed pets in 2015. This data comes from RASKC which serves 25 cities, including King County's unincorporated communities.

"Licensing your pets is one of the most important things you can do as a pet owner," said Councilmember Dunn. "Licensing your pet not only helps to protect your pet if it ever becomes lost, it also helps fund the life-saving work of Regional Animal Services of King County

Pet owners who register their pets with RASKC can rest assured that found pets can be reunited quickly with their owner. Your pet can even get a free ride home the first time it's found, letting you skip a trip to the animal shelter.

## Top Ten Pet Names for:

## Maple Valley

Dogs:	Cats:
<ol> <li>Max</li> <li>Buddy</li> <li>Lucy</li> <li>Bella</li> <li>Molly</li> <li>Charlie</li> <li>Jack</li> <li>Harley</li> <li>Sophie</li> <li>Bailey</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Jack</li> <li>Lucy</li> <li>Sam</li> <li>Bella</li> <li>Daisy</li> <li>Jasmine</li> <li>Max</li> <li>Pepper</li> <li>Bandit</li> <li>Chloe</li> </ol>
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"The number of pets registered through the RASKC continues to grow each year and is reflective of the involved pet-owner community that we have built here in King County," said Maple Valley Mayor Bill Allison. "The whole area benefits when pets are registered as we can curb the spread of disease through tracking vaccinations, spaying and neutering."

### Black Diamond

#### **Dogs** Cats 1. Bella 1. Smokey 2. Buddy 2. Annie 3. Coco 3. Bella 4. Jack 4. Chloe 5. Charlie 5. Kiki 6. Molly 6. Luna 7. Abby 7. Missy 8. Bentley 8. Tango 9. Lucy 9. Tigger

"When you purchase a license you are not only increasing the chance that your pet, if lost, finds its way back to you but also supports the lifesaving work of Regional Animal Services, an organization on a mission to treat animals with dignity by finding them good homes," said Black Diamond Mayor Carol Benson.

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## Covington

10.Maggie

Dogs:	Cats:
1. Max	
2. Bella	1. Max
3. Buddy	2. Lucy
4. Lucy	3. Tiger
5. Roxy	4. Boots
6. Charlie	5. Princess
7. Sadie	6. Smokey
8. Daisy	7. Angel
9. Molly	8. Emma
10.Maggie	9. Harley 10.Mittens

"The City of Covington prides itself on being family-centric and we believe pets are family members, too," said Covington Councilmember and past Mayor Margaret Harto. "As a RASKC partner, we appreciate their top-notch ability to find homes for abandoned, sick and lost pets and the services they provide to keep the pets of our residents safe. Licensing your pet is the best way to ensure you've done everything you can for the safety of your four-legged family member."

License fees not only support the return of hundreds of lost pets to their homes but they also help thousands of homeless pets to new families every year. There are plenty of cats and dogs and other pets with unique names at the County's animal shelters, plus, some without a name that are waiting for a home. Pet license fees also fund investigation of animal neglect or cruelty, spay/neuter programs to reduce pet over-population, and community education services. RASKC services are made possible with the help of over 450 volunteers.

"Our whole region benefits when pets are licensed," said RASKC manager Gene Mueller. "Licensed pets are returned home more quickly, and licensing supports the work that we do at Regional Animal Services to improve the lives of people and pets throughout King County."

If you live in the RASKC service area, there are more than 300 convenient locations, including many city halls and QFC stores, in King County where you can purchase a pet license. Check <a href="https://www.kingcounty.gov/pets">www.kingcounty.gov/pets</a> for a place near you or call 206-296-7387 (PETS).

EDITORS: To find out the Top Ten Names for Dogs and Cats throughout King County, go to:

http://kingcounty.gov/council/news/2016/January/01-04-RD-petnames.aspx